

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3-5, 7-10, 12-16, and 18-20 remain in this application. Claims 1 and 16 are amended, and no claims are added. A substitute specification in the form of a collection of the most currently amended paragraphs and a clean copy of a substitute specification are respectively enclosed as Attachments 1 and 2.

Applicant has thoroughly reviewed the outstanding Office Action including the Examiner's remarks and the references cited therein. The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action and, when coupled with the above amendments, are believed to render all claims at issue patentably distinguishable over the cited references.

CLAIMS OBJECTION

With respect to Page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected the Claim 16. It is submitted that Claim 1 suffers from the same problem.

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Applicant amended Claim 16 in accordance with the suggestion of the Examiner. In addition, it is believed that Claim 1 also suffers from the same defect and it has been similarly amended. No new matter has been added because as the Examiner has already stated, the amendment to the claims is supported by the drawings. It is also submitted that the scopes of Claims 1 and 16 have not been affected by this amendment because the amendment is merely a clarification. Therefore, the objections to the claims should be withdrawn.

OBJECTION TO SPECIFICATION

With respect to Page 2 through Page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the specification because he said that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, were not fulfilled because the specification was not written in full, clear, concise, and exact terms. The Examiner required a substitute specification. Accordingly, attached hereto as a substitute specification in Attachment 1 is a compiled version of the specification containing currently amended paragraphs and previously submitted amended paragraphs which have not been subsequently changed. Also, submitted as Attachment 2, is a clean copy of the specification. It is submitted that the substitute specification is in proper idiomatic English and is in compliance with 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph and 37 CFR 1.52 (a). It is certified by the undersigned, a registered patent attorney, that the substitute specification contains no known new matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

With respect to Page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner allowed Claims 1, 3-5, 7-10 and 12-15. In addition, Claims 16 and 18-20 would be allowed upon addressing the objection present in this Office Action.

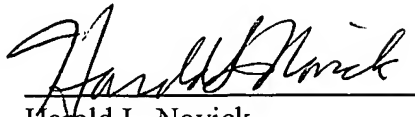
CONCLUSION

In the light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending Claims 1, 3-5, 7-10 and 12-20 as currently presented are in condition for allowance.

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Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted.

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